Epiphany of the Lord

Catholic Parishes of Millbury

St. Brigid &

Our Lady of the Assumption

We saw his star at its rising
and have come to do him homage.

Matthew 2:2

THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MILLBURY
ST. BRIGID † OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Parish Offices Are Located At:

St. Brigid Parish
59 Main Street, Millbury, MA 01527
Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM
(508) 865-6624 • **Fax:** (508) 865-3101

Assumption Parish Phone: (508) 865-2657

St. Vincent de Paul: (774) 262-5506

www.assumptionmillbury.org
www.stbrigidparish.org

Check our websites for individual email addresses.

Mass Times

Assumption Church
12 Waters Street

Mon. & Thurs.: 9:00 AM
Tues. & Wed.: 7:00 AM
Sun.: 9:00 AM

St. Brigid Church
59 Main Street

Sat.: 4:00 PM
Sun.: 7:00 AM & 11:00 AM (June - Sept.)
Sun.: 7:00 AM & 11:30 AM (Oct. - May)

Pastoral & Administrative Staff

Fr. Dan Mulcahy, *Pastor*

Deacon Ron Buron, K.H.S., *Permanent Deacon*
Facilities Manager
Safe Env. Coordinator

Sister Jeanne Richard, S.A.S.V.,
Pastoral Care Ministry

Claudette Belair, *Music Director*

Greg Bernard, *Faith Formation (Gr. K-12)*
Family Ministry

Monica Hamilton McCarthy, *Bulletin & Web Editor**

*Bulletin items must be emailed to monica.hamilton@stbrigidparish.org in the body of the email, or as an attached Word document. Deadline is noon the preceding Thursday. We prioritize parish and local events, space is limited so items may only appear once, and are run on a first-come, first served basis. For ad space, call Pilot Bulletins at 617.779.3771. Monica is in the office Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Ronald Marlborough, *Maintenance Director*

Melissa Turner, *Administrative Assistant, Cantor*

Sacraments of the Church

Reconciliation/Confession

Saturdays 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM
or anytime upon request.

Baptism

Baptism Gatherings, to prepare families for the sacrament of Baptism, are held 4 times a year. Baptisms are held each month.
For more information, or to make arrangements, please call the parish offices at (508) 865-6624.

Marriage

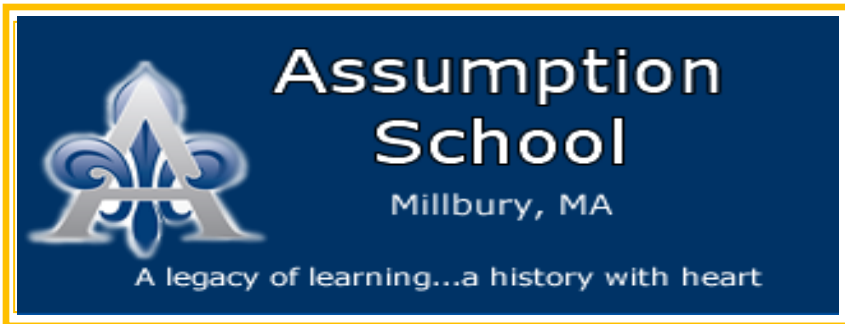
Please call the rectory at least one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls

Please call the rectory when a parishioner is confined at home, is in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home or hospice. Holy Communion is brought to shut-ins upon request.

How to Reach Us

Members of the staff may be contacted by calling the Parish Offices at (508) 865-6624. The offices are open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 AM until 3 PM, with a half-hour lunch break beginning at 12:30 PM. If the offices are closed, feel free to leave a voicemail and we will get back to you as soon as we are able.



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Mass Intentions

Sat., Jan. 4
4:00 PM **Lillian Dziembowski (1st Anniversary)**
By: Her Family

Sun., Jan. 5
7:00 AM **Anna, Edward & John Jr. Volungis**
By: The Family
9:00 AM **Ruth & Bill Hobey**
By: The Family
11:30 AM **Christina Erickson**
By: The Family

Mon., Jan. 6
9:00 AM **Connor Francis Tronerud**
By: His Parents Jason & Teresa,
& His Brother, Kyle

Tues., Jan. 7
7:00 AM **The People of the Catholic Parishes of Millbury and St. Jude**

Wed., Jan. 8
7:00 AM **Edward F. Wall (Birthday)**
By: The Family

Thurs. Jan.9
9:00 AM **A Special Intention**
By: Pauline D'Auteuil

Sat., Jan. 11
4:00 PM **Elaine Roy**
By: Chet Roy

Sun., Jan. 12
7:00 AM **Gabrielle G. Gaboriault**
By: The Family
9:00 AM **Aurele Bourdeau (24th Anniversary)**
By: The Family
11:30 AM **Matthew Hartline (40th Birthday)**
By: His Parents

(N.B. Mass Intentions are handwritten in the official Daily Mass Record Book. Our apologies for any errors or misspelled names.)

Respect Life Month Event in Worcester

Can't make it to the March for Life in D.C? Let's kick off Respect Life Month locally! "Let Life Live" event to be held at **Sacred Heart-St. Catherine of Sweden Parish Hall, 596 Cambridge St. Worcester** on **Saturday, Jan. 11 from Noon-3:30 pm.** We will have music from Musicians for Life, speakers, Reps from Problem Pregnancy, Visitation House, Mass Citizens for Life, 40 Days for Life, First Concern and more! For more information call Lynn at 508-612-3999.

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, January 11, 4 PM at St. Brigid

AS: R. Prue, J. Prue
L: B. Travers
EM: J. Hanratty, P. Michalak, L. Magnuson, A. Nocchi

Sunday, January 12, 7:00 AM at St. Brigid

AS: J. Mazeika
L: J. Rogers
EM: J. Mazeika, N. Tabor

Sunday, January 12, 9:00 AM at Assumption

AS: A. Weeks, J. Giro
L: M. Gabriau
EM: J. Giro, C. Brady, R. & N. LaFlash

Sunday, January 12, 11:30 AM at St. Brigid

AS: T. & F. Jakubiak
L: G. Borus
EM: M. Horner, N. Laliberte

Scripture for the week of January 5, 2020

5	SUN	Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
6	Mon	1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
7	Tue	1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44
8	Wed	1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52
9	Thu	1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Lk 4:14-22a
10	Fri	1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16
11	Sat	1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30
12	SUN	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

Pilgrimage to Greece in the Footsteps of St. Paul

From **Oct. 28 through Nov. 7, 2020**, join Fr. William Schipper and Ray Delisle and Discover Greece: in the Footsteps of St. Paul the Apostle. Information sessions with Collette Tours and featuring Greek foods to taste will be held on **Wed., Jan. 15 at 2:30 and 5:30 pm** at the Chancery, 49 Elm St, Worcester. Follow the path of Paul the Apostle as you discover bucolic beauty and ancient history on this Grecian sojourn. Enjoy a 3-night cruise of the magical Greek islands of Mykonos, Patmos and Santorini. Visit the ancient Roman city of Ephesus, Turkey. Explore the Acropolis in Athens and seek ancient wisdom at the ruins of Delphi. Discover the biblical town of Corinth and see the Agora and the Bema, where Paul was brought before the tribunal. Stop in Philippi, where Paul delivered his first sermon in Europe and baptized Lydia, the first Christian. On your journey, feel the spirit of the New Testament as you visit the places where the great apostle lived and preached. Call Ray Delisle at 508-929-4313 to register for the info session or for more information or visit /worcesterdiocese.org/Greece-pilgrimage.

SANCTUARY CANDLES BURNING JAN. 4-10

Our Lady of the Assumption
In Loving Memory of
Connor Tronerud
Requested by: His Parents Jason & Teresa and His Brother, Kyle

St. Brigid
In Loving Memory of
Christina Erickson
Requested by: The Family

MINISTRY OF PRAYER
Prayer Line 508-865-5373
If you, or someone you know, is in need of prayer, call the confidential prayer line listed above.

Remember in Prayer this Week:

Those who serve in our Military:

Marc Winchester **Emily Weagle**
Patrick Weeks **Denzel Parker**

Reminder: Forms are available at each parish to add names to the Prayer List or call the rectory at 508-865-6624 with your request. Names will be removed monthly.

In Loving Memory

John & Julia Anger
Lee Aubin
Maryann Auger
Jeanne Augustine
Larry F. Army
Albina Bartkus
Arthur G. Boucher
Natalie Bourdeau
Patricia Bourdeau
Sylvio E. Bourdeau
F. Joseph and Mary Brady
Joseph & Rose Cataldo
Frank Cammuso
Philip Chabot, Sr.
Albert and Helen Collette
Pat and Tiff Correia
Donna "Gain" Cournoyer
Karen A. Courville
Roland O. Couture
Arthur "Archie" Cronin
Gerald & Peggy Croteau
George A. D'Auteuil, Jr.
George A. D'Auteuil, Sr.
Kathleen M. DeCillis
Raymond DeRouin
Armand Desorcy
Joseph Dunn
Timothy P. Eckland
Jonathan Favreau
Lois M. Fisher
Gabrielle G. Gaboriault
Joe & Jean Gagliardi
William Gain, Jr.
Bernice Gaudere
Reggie Gauthier
Ruth Gonsorcik
Daniel Guadagnoli
John & Irene Guyan
Robert James (Sam) Guyan
Betty A. Hamilton
Derek Hamilton
Patricia Hamilton
Matthew Hartline
John Huchowski
Paul J. Jandron
Joanne Juskavitch
Claire Kobel
Richard Kroll
Michael P. Krumsiek
Robert P. LaCrosse, Sr.
Lillian Langevin
Tan Le
Noe R. LeBeau, Sr.
Edward L. Lemoine
Kevin Lemoine
Rita Lemoine
Lorraine Letendre
Mark Lizotte
William and Irene Louis
Leo & Jane Metivier
Kenneth Michalak
Mary B. Mrozinski
Lorraine Mooney
Daniel R. Mulcahy, Sr.
Joseph Noonan
Albert Nikosey
Charles F. O'Connor, Jr.
John P. & Bridget O'Malley
Richard P. Raymond
Stephen Rodwill
Elaine Roy
Darlene Russell
Dorothy Russell
Marshall Russell
Michael W. Russell
William Russell
Albert & June Russo
Bob & Rita Shea
Lucien Sirard
Maureen L. Stacy
C. Richard Stockhaus
Joseph F. Stockwell
James Tabor
Neal R. Thomas
Connor Tronerud
Chester Urban
Robert E. Vaillancourt
Nancy Vaillancourt
Lucille Vecchione
William T. Walsh
Margaret Wendt
Ronald Woodward
Duane & Dolores Wunn
Frank J. Yaz

Would you like to remember a loved one in our Remembrance section? The cost of enrollment will be a $50 donation for the year. Please contact the office (508) 865-6624 to enroll your loved one(s).

SATURDAY ~ JANUARY 4
NO EVENTS

SUNDAY ~ JANUARY 5
Children's Liturgy of the Word @ OLAC/OLAH 9 AM
Grade 2 Faith Formation @ OLAH 10-11:20 AM
Baptism Prep Class @ SBC 10:45 AM
Grade 9 & 10 Faith Formation @ OLAH 6-7:30 PM
SLAA @ CPO 7:30 PM

MONDAY ~ JANUARY 6
Adoration/Novena for Healing @ SBC 6 PM
AA @ SBH 7 PM
GA @ OLAH 8-9:30 PM

TUESDAY ~ JANUARY 7
Holy Hour/Confession @ SBC 6 PM
OA @ SBH 6:30-8 PM
Choir Rehearsal @ SBC 7 PM

WEDNESDAY ~ JANUARY 8
Rosary Makers @ SBH 6 PM
Adult Faith Formation Genesis to Jesus @ OLAH 6:30 PM

THURSDAY ~ JANUARY 9
Rosary @ CPO 6 PM
NO Girl Scouts @ OLAH 6-7:30 PM
Cub Scouts @ SBH 6-8 PM

FRIDAY ~ JANUARY 10
NO EVENTS

SATURDAY ~ JANUARY 11
NO EVENTS

SUNDAY ~ JANUARY 12
Children's Liturgy of the Word @ OLAC/OLAH 9 AM
Grade 3 & 4 Faith Formation @ OLAH 10-11:20 AM
Grade 7 & 8 Faith Formation @ OLAH 6-7:30 PM
SLAA @ CPO 7:30 PM

KEY TO LOCATIONS

SBC=St. Brigid Church
SBH=St. Brigid Hall
CPO=Catholic Parish Offices
OLAC=Assumption Church
OLAH=Assumption Hall
OLAS=Assumption School

Adult Faith Formation continues in 2020. Remaining dates are:

January 8
January 22
February 12
March 4
March 18
March 25

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Diocese of Worcester
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
Phone: 774-262-5506

MONTHLY MEETINGS
3rd Sunday - 10:00 AM
The Offices of the
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
New Members Welcome!

PARISH FOOD COLLECTION

Monthly: 1st Weekend
Food Bins are located in the Main Entrance of the Church

All food donations must be dropped off on food drive dates and placed in the large blue bins only, no exceptions. NO Perishables, NO Cleanouts.

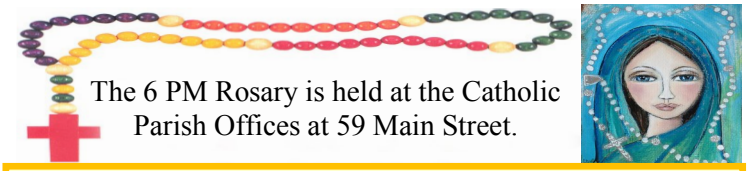
FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Monthly: 1st Weekend - 12:15 PM
St. Brigid Church Hall

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS LIST

THE PANTRY IS IN NEED OF:
Snacks, Cereal, Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Chicken

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT SHOP
Monday thru Saturday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
507 Park Ave., Worcester (508) 752-4232



The 6 PM Rosary is held at the Catholic Parish Offices at 59 Main Street.

ELDERLY AND HOMEBOUND

Transportation available - 4 PM Saturday Vigil Mass at St. Brigid Church. This ministry is sponsored by both parishes utilizing a handi-capable van. Call Deacon Ron (508) 865-6624.

SHUTTLE INFORMATION

Saturday, January 4	**Jan Hanratty**
Saturday, January 12	**Jan Hanratty**
Saturday, January 18	**Chris Brady**

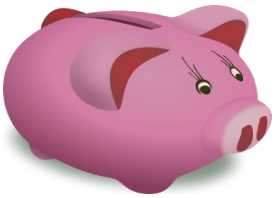
If you know of a parishioner who is homebound or shut-in, please contact Deacon Ron at (508) 865-6624 to set up a time to receive Communion. If you have a friend or relative who is a member of St. Brigid or Assumption and in a nursing home who would like to be visited and/or receive Communion, please call Deacon Ron at (508) 865-6624. You bringing this to our attention is the only way we can be sure that our parishioners are visited.

Snow Policy: No School/No Mass
For the safety of our parishioners, when school is **canceled or delayed** in Millbury, daily Mass is also canceled.

STEWARDSHIP

OUR CHURCH'S FINANCIAL HEALTH

SECOND COLLECTIONS:
January 5—Debt
January 12—Debt

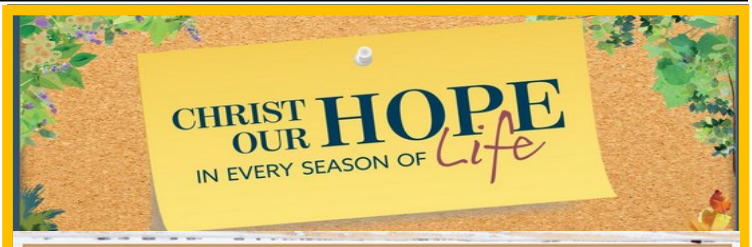


Thank you for your continued support of The Catholic Parishes of Millbury! Income and cash flow figures return next week.

Thanks from Bethany House Ministries!

Dear Fr. Dan, Deacon Ron and the Parish Community,
All of us at Bethany House Ministries are deeply grateful for your generous donation of over $1,000 worth of gift cards. These cards will be used to help individuals being released from jails and prisons to successfully reintegrate into the community by helping to provide basic needs such as clothing, toiletries, food, etc., as well as helping to purchase over 2,700 Christmas gift packages for prisoners.
This year, we at Bethany House Ministries are celebrating our 30th year anniversary. As we remember all the lives that we have touched, both in and out of prison, and all the lives that have touched ours, we feel only gratitude.
Bethany House Ministries is a 501c3 nonprofit charitable organization. All donations are tax deductible.
Again, thank you so much for your continued support.

With prayers, gratitude and blessings this holiday season,
Ruth Raichle/Executive Director,
Bethany House Ministries, Inc.



Advance Medical Directives: Planning for Your Future

Read the full version at respectlifeprogram.org/advance-directives.

Human life is good and to be protected. All medical decisions ought to reflect this core belief. Yet some medical and legal documents used to define a patient's future care can be harmful. No matter how well-crafted, they can't predict all the possible scenarios and best courses of action. In each set of circumstances, we need to judge whether a given treatment will provide real benefit to the patient, without causing harm or disproportionate burdens. The safest option is to designate a health care agent to make decisions if you become incapable of doing so. It's best to appoint a responsible, trustworthy person who understands and shares your Catholic values, and can apply them when the need arises.

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Your light is strong, your love is near; Draw us beyond the limits which this world imposes, To the life where your Spirit makes all life complete.

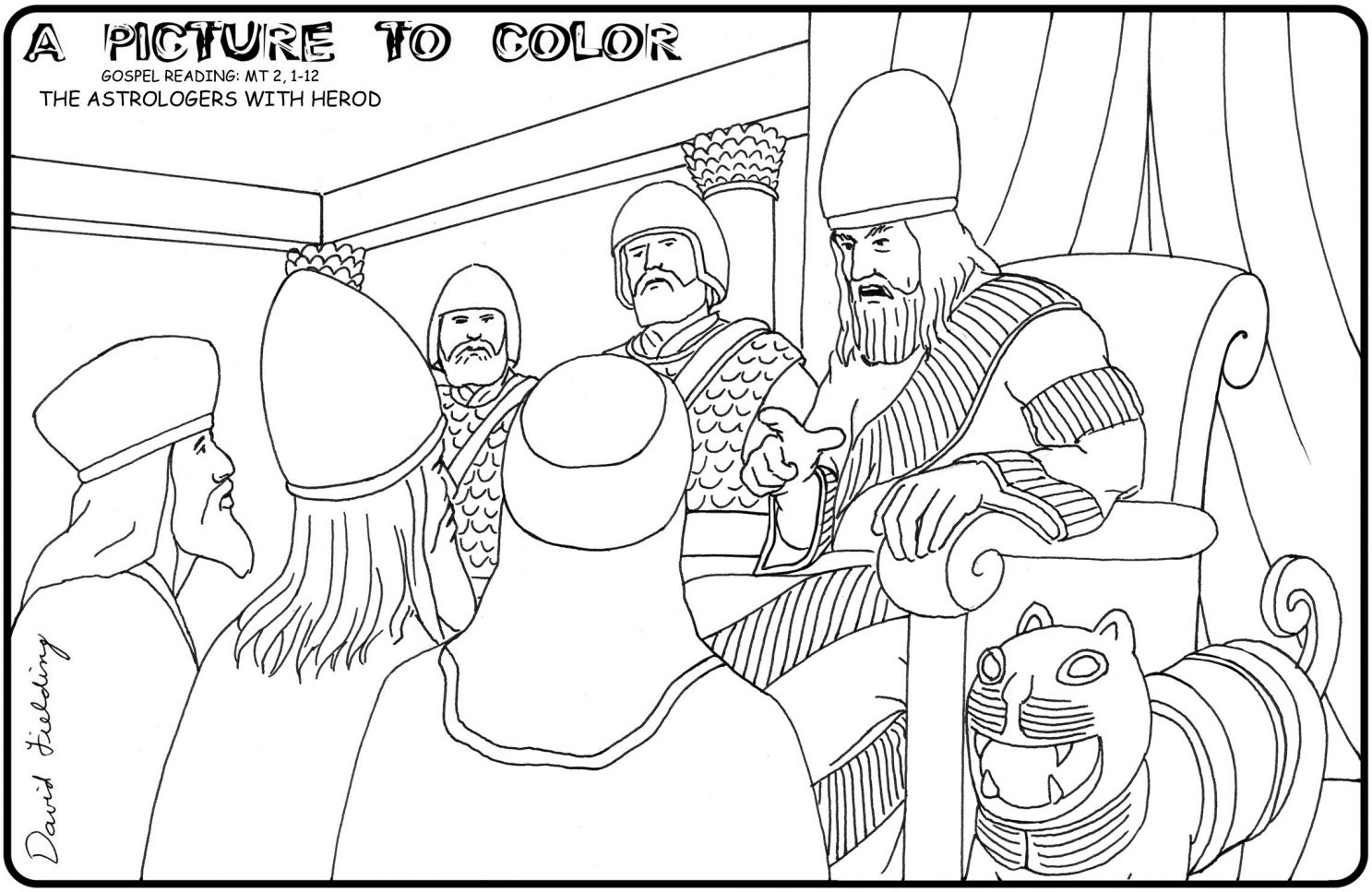
Roman Rite

Faith Facts & Fun Activities

Saint of the Week

St. Andre Bessette, 1845-1937
Feast Day—January 6

Born in Canada, Andre worked for three years in the United States as a weaver and manual laborer. After returning to Canada in 1870, he joined the Congregation of Holy Cross and took final vows in 1874. For decades, Brother Andre humbly served his community near Montreal as doorman, janitor, barber, gardener and infirmarian. With St. Joseph as his model and intercessor, he developed a healing ministry and huge following. In 1904, he moved into Montreal to help build the Oratory of the Holy Cross, and remained there for the rest of his life. When this "Miracle Man of Montreal" was canonized in 2010, Pope Benedict XVI said he "lived the beatitude of the pure of heart."



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Youth & Family Faith Formation

More From Cookies with Santa Dec. 15

Kids of all ages enjoyed the Dec. 15 Grade 2 Pageant followed by Cookies with Santa in the Assumption Church Hall. Thanks to everyone who helped make the annual event a success!

Faith Formation

UPCOMING FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

Grade 2	January 5, 12 & 26 10:00-11:20
Grades 3 & 4	January 12 & 26 10:00 - 11:20AM
Grades 5 & 6	January 13 & 27 6:00 - 7:30PM
Grades 7 & 8	January 12 & 20(Mon) 6:00-7:30PM
Grade 9 & 10	January 5 & 26 6:00-7:30PM

Assumption School
Millbury, MA
A legacy of learning...a history with heart

Assumption School PreK Christmas Pageant

During the 9 AM Mass on Monday, December 16, the PreK Class of Assumption School put on their Christmas Pageant. Along with teachers and students from Kindergarten through Grade 8, parents, Grandparents, and family members were invited. Great job PreK!

Thanks to Assumption School from SVDP!

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Brigid would like to recognize the students, faculty and families of Assumption School and sincerely thank them for their generosity and kindness during the Thanksgiving holiday.

They collected and donated over 2,700 items of food, and a tremendous amount of coats, sweaters and winter-wear for men, women and children.

These donations will continue to benefit many local individuals and their families, during the holidays and throughout the winter.

Our sincere gratitude to the Assumption School community for demonstrating their faith by their actions.

Thank you.

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious, or lay person working for the Church, and you need a place to talk about your feelings of betrayal or hurt by the Church, call Judith Audette
Office for Healing and Prevention, (508) 929-4363.
A 24-hour-a-day confidential voicemail is available.

Senior Center and Local News

MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

RMV TRANSACTIONS

Every Wednesday 10 AM - 2 PM
We focus on Duplicates/Renewals for License, Registration, Mass I.D. and Placard Cards along with Change of Address!
Call us for an appointment! (508) 865-9154

SNAP APPLICATIONS (Food Stamps)

Our appointments are on Tuesdays & Thursdays 10 AM – 2 PM
Call for an appointment & required documentation 508-865-9154

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ONGOING ACTIVITIES

MAHJONG GAME

Every Monday, 12:45 P.M. – 3:35 P.M.

Craft Classes
Wednesdays from 9:30-11 AM

Pastel Dreamers Coloring Classes
Thursdays 10 - 11:30 AM
NO SUPPLIES NEEDED!

Bridge Club
Fridays at 12:30 PM
Call 508-865-9154 for info about any program.

Cribbage Club
Join us every Monday at 1PM
for our Cribbage Club! Have Lunch ahead of time at noon to make it a fun filled day! ***Noon lunch every Monday - Friday. Suggested donation $2.50. Every Friday is special treat day. A 48 hour reservation is required.***

Millbury Senior Center's MEMORY CAFÉ

Join us for a Memory Café : **Tues., Jan. 28, 2 - 3:30 PM**
A Memory Café is a monthly gathering for people with memory loss/challenges and their care partners. It's a time to socialize, make new friends, and have a good time. Fourth Tuesday of each month, refreshments are served. Outreach worker, Julie Fitzgerald, will answer questions, call to RSVP 508-865-9154!

Exercise Classes at the Senior Center

Drop in for any of our ongoing health and wellness classes at the Senior Center. Call 508.865.9154 for information about classes.
Light Exercise... Mondays & Fridays 9:30-10:15 AM (FREE)
Low Impact
Tai Chi… Tuesdays 9:30 - 10:15 AM ($3)
Great for Balance!
Zumba Gold.. Tuesdays 10:45 -11:30 AM (FREE) Fun Class!
Yoga… Friday 10:30 P.M. - 11:15 A.M. (FREE) **All New!**

YOUR SMILE FOR TODAY

Festival of Lessons and Carols in Clinton

The Sacred Music Series at St. John Guardian of Our Lady in Clinton continues with a special Festival of Lessons and Carols on **Sat., Jan.11 at 7 p.m.** Based on the Office of Matins for the Feast of the Epiphany, this festive ceremony will feature Scripture readings, the singing of beloved Christmas and Epiphany carols, and sacred choral music led by the Upper School Chorus of the Immaculate Heart of Mary School, Still River, under the direction of Michael Olbash. Freewill donations will be accepted at the door for the benefit of First Concern Pregnancy Resource Center of Clinton. This event was a resounding success last year—help us make it even bigger and better this year! Located at 80 Union St. in Clinton and the church is ramp accessible.